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A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Another year is drawing to a close. It is with sincere pleasure that we extend our best wishes to our many subscribers, friends and patrons, our best wishes for the year 1924. Nothing could please us more than the closing of 1924 that all had been happy and that all had bountifully prospered. We hope this may come true.

1923 has been a busy one for us and that is only because of the patronage that has been accorded us. We are duly grateful and trust that we may continue to merit your support. We have tried to be courteous and kind to every person who has entered our office; and we have tried to worthily support every honest public effort. The citizens of Crawford deserve this support from us and we trust we may never be found wanting.

A happy and prosperous New Year to all.

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE.

HUNDREDS GIVEN XMAS CHEER

SANTA DISTRIBUTES PRESENTS WITH LAVISH HANDS.

But Few Homes With Children Are Overlooked.

Upon invitation of the Grayling Board of Trade Old Santa Claus visited Grayling in a manner that he had never equalled before. Practically every home in Grayling where there were children under the age of eight years received a visit from Kris Kringle. Candies, nuts and popcorn were left at every place, and several places desirable presents were left.

When he arrived in town and looked over his list of "Good" children he found that his 200 presents of toys, dolls, games and other articles would not be enough. At once he got busy and soon had a lot more provided and counted them up and found that there were just 320 articles. He called in some of the members of the Board of Trade to help him wrap packages and all day Sunday many hands were busy wrapping and addressing packages.

Santa had this done at George Burke's garage, because he said George was just about the size of a Santa Claus and if he had long whiskers he would make a dandy one. Besides Mr. Burke gave him several hundred pounds of candy, popcorn balls and nuts with which to fill the large stockings.

The protégé was a talk on protection against diphtheria given by Dr. Bright (Donald Reynolds). This talk was written up from authorities and approved by the doctor here.

The Prologue.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is my privilege to read to you this paper on diphtheria and the protection against it. Do you know that 40 years ago it was not an unusual thing for a whole family to be swept of all its children?

In 1890 Beehrung and Sistler discovered anti-toxin and since then, if it is given in time, most cases recover. If it is given the 1st day 97 per cent recover, if the second day 90 per cent and on the 3rd day 85 per cent recover.

Many who recover where the anti-toxin is given late have paralysis, or heart trouble or other bad results from the diphtheria because the poison has gotten into the nerve centers before the anti-toxin is given. Anti-toxin may be given to those who are exposed to prevent them from getting diphtheria. This immunizing dose will protect them for about three weeks but no longer. Anti-toxin is not dangerous to anyone. The serum—any serum—may be dangerous to one person in 57,000. One in 57,000 may be harmed by serum but without this anti-toxin serum 7000 out of 57,000 will probably die.

In 1923 in spite of what anti-toxin can do, 16,000 little children died and 140,000 were sick in the U. S.

Now that toxin-anti-toxin has been discovered practically none need die or even be sick from diphtheria. Its use was begun in 1913 (10 years ago.) It was first used in the New York schools about 7 years ago and last

there were so many places to go that the trucks started out Monday afternoon and worked until midnight before the last present or bag of candy, nuts and popcorn were delivered. Every place that Santa went he was greeted with a hurrah and he wore his gladdest smile as he saw so many happy children. Many a little girl and boy was made happy that night and many a new Mamma doll found a new fond mother.

This was a real glad Christmas, made so by the good Fellows of Grayling.



I Send Mine to the Laundry

It comes back cleaner than I can possibly get it, ironed just as good as I can iron it, and the cost is less than I can do the work myself.

Try it one week and you will never again do your own washing.

Grayling Laundry Company



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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, DECEMBER 27, 1923

VICTOR SALLING PASSES AWAY

DEATH CAUSED BY CANCER WHILE IN DETROIT HOSPITAL

Was One of Grayling's Best Known Citizens.

Grief and sadness replaced the usual Christmas spirit among the family and friends of Victor E. Salling, when a message came Friday noon, December 21, telling of the death of Mr. Salling at Harper Hospital that morning. Not only over the family and intimate friends of the deceased but over the entire town, did the shadow of death cast its grief and its gloom, because the man who died was loved and admired by all who knew him.

Mr. Salling had not been feeling well all summer and fall, but he did not leave his work until November 30. From that time on he was under constant medical care. December 17 he was taken to Harper hospital in Detroit, accompanied by Mrs. Salling and Dr. C. R. Keyport, where he died late in the forenoon of Friday, December 21. The remains were brought to Mr. Salling's home in Grayling where they remained until burial, Monday afternoon, December 24.

Funeral services were held at the Salling home for the family and intimate friends of the deceased, after which services were held at the Danish-Lutheran church. Rev. Kjelhede and Rev. J. Herman Baughn of the Michelson Memorial church offered prayer in English and Danish. The Danish Lutheran choir rendered three selections in Danish—"Jesus Kom Dog Nær Til Mig,"—"Doden Er Den Sidste Fjende," and "Dejlig Er Jorden." Mrs. Roy Milnes sang, "And I Shall See Him Face to Face." Those who mourned the deceased were Mrs. Victor Salling, wife; Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Melstrup of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Davidson of Bay City; Miss Kristine Salling of Ypsilanti; Mrs. John Pettit and Miss Marion Salling of Grayling. Others from out of town who attended the funeral were Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Wescott and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routier of Detroit. Many beautiful wreaths and sprays were sent by relatives and friends in memory of the deceased.

Victor Emanuel Christian Salling was born in Skanderborg, Denmark, January 28, 1858. He was the only son of Christian Salling, a Danish merchant. He grew to manhood in Skanderborg, Denmark, and was educated in Danish schools. At that time there were many young men leaving Denmark and coming to America, among whom were some friends and relatives of Mr. Salling. The letters and news of America that come back persuaded Mr. Salling to try his fortune in the new country. In August, 1887, the three weeks trip across the Atlantic was made. After spending a month in Milwaukee, he came to Grayling where with exception of one year spent in Standish, he has since resided.

One year after Mr. Salling's arrival in America his sweetheart, Kristine Hanson came from Denmark to Grayling, where she and Mr. Salling were united in marriage in September, 1888.

Six children were born, five daughters, Elizabeth, now Mrs. Spencer Melstrup of Detroit; Marion, Elsie, now Mrs. Gordon Davidson of Bay City and Kristine, who is attending the Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti; and one son, Christian who died in infancy.

Mr. Salling was for some time manager of the Salling Hanson Co., department store and later manager of that company's hardware store. The position he held at the time of his death. He has been a well known resident of Grayling for many years. He was a nephew of the late N. P. Salling, senior partner of the firm of Salling Hanson company. He is also survived by two sisters, Antoinette Klock of Shreve, Denmark and Mrs. Olga Reutoff of Hamlet, Denmark.

The memory of Mr. Salling will long be revered by his family and many friends.

year about one half million children had received it. When it was begun the deaths in N. Y. City from diphtheria were nearly 1200 a year and in 1922 they were only a little over 500. Some people are naturally immune. If a mother is immune her child will be immune for about one year. From one to three years all children are apt to take diphtheria. This is the most dangerous period of their lives. Year by year as they grow older a greater percentage of them develop their owner immunity.

Nevertheless, one half of the children do not develop this immunity and are therefore apt to take diphtheria. The Schick test will prove whether they are immune or not. The toxin-anti-toxin will give them immunity for a period of years, probably for life. It is given in three very small doses one week apart.

It is being given in cities and villages and rural communities. See that your child gets it.

The play opened with neighborly discussion on the way home from the lecture.

In the second act the children were shown being given the toxin-anti-toxin by the Doctor as they passed in line before him.

The last act showed the Doctor where Jean is just convalescing and her mother is condoling Mrs. Brown on the loss of her boy by the same disease.

The play ended in a dance and song by children, who have taken the prevention against diphtheria.



MORE CONTAGIOUS CASES REPORTED

Since our last edition several additional cases of scarlet fever have developed. While all are of mild form, it still behooves the public to aid in breaking up the epidemic by helping prevent its spread.

Attest quarantine should be

the young children not permitted to congregate any more than necessary. All cases of sore throat should be reported to a physician or health officer promptly, and all cases where children appear to have a temperature should likewise be reported. This appears to be about the best plan for checking this disease.

Several local children are taking serum treatment for prevention against diphtheria, and it is unlikely that this disease cannot be controlled. Such treatments, it is claimed by the medical profession, will immunize a child for the remainder of its life. It is simple and not painful and does not cause illness.

A child may continue in regular pursuits of work or play without interruption after receiving the treatment. It requires three applications one week apart.

If every parent and member of the family use reasonable precaution this present epidemic of scarlet fever may soon be checked.

Mrs. Squires, our public health nurse, requests that we ask the people to please report all cases of sore throat and illness to a physician at once. It is reasonable to believe everyone will want to do as she suggests.

DISEASE TREATED BY ELECTRIC HEAT

MEDICAL DIATHERMY ADDED BY LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

Latest Improved Method for Treatment of Many Diseases.

Less poultices, less hot water bottles and other artificial applications for the treatment and relief from inflammatory diseases, infected tissues, poor blood circulation or high blood pressure, chilly feelings, loss of appetite, insomnia, mental depression, no energy, lack of physical strength, headaches and dozens of other ailments. "Medical diathermy" is the latest improved method for treatment of many diseases. This is used in the form of electricity and is so directed and controlled that even deep seated ailments are reached with a positiveness and rapidity that is surprising.

The writer was invited to the office of Dr. H. H. Pool to witness a demonstration of the Diathermy and it proved to be a revelation, the way that electric current may be controlled and directed in the treatment of disease. It makes no difference whether or not the disease is superficial or deep seated, it is reached quickly and positively. It may even be used in treatment of the heart and brain. Of course common electric current will not do these things, however when harnessed and controlled thru the Diathermy, producing high and low frequency of current, and applied with an understanding and knowledge in the treatment of disease, it becomes a power.

Dr. Pool states that he has been wanting to get one of the machines ever since he started in business in Grayling and it is only because of their high cost that he has deferred the purchase until this time. There have been a couple of cases, he says, that he had to give up as he was unable to help them, that he could have cured by the use of the Diathermy.

While the Diathermy is not going to replace medicine and surgery, it is going to be an enormous aid to these forms of treatment, and will enable the treatment of many cases that may not readily respond to the use of medicines.



On top of the World

That's the way we should all feel about the wonderful new year.

Business was never better; everyone who wants to work can find plenty to do, and at good wages.

Let us step forth with a firm determination to make 1924 the banner year of them all.

One good way to accomplish this is to keep up a spirit of optimism that will prove a fountain of inspiration for every person in our community. If all will do that 1924 will be a winner.

Crawford Avalanche



MUST SHOW 1924 LICENSE JAN. 1

SHERIFF DIRECTED TO IN FORCE LAW.

Peter F. Jorgenson, Sheriff, Grayling, Michigan.

You can do the Motor Vehicle owners of your city and county service by calling attention in your local newspapers that to secure 1924 License plates, the Title of the car they desire to register must be presented to be stamped at the time application for license is made. You are further authorized to state that there will be no extension of time for 1924 registration and that every person who operates a motor vehicle after midnight, December 31, 1923, without 1924 license plates does so in violation of the law.

Certificate of Title.

No used car will be titled by this State unless the application for same is approved by the Chief of Police or Sheriff of the city or county in which the applicant resides.

To approve such an application, it will be necessary for you to thoroughly investigate the ownership, also see to it that the engine and serial numbers have not been tampered with, then if satisfied, that Certificate of Title should be issued to applicant attach your letter head giving approval, being sure applicants name and description of car are given.

Where applicant cannot give you satisfactory proof of ownership, hold motor vehicle until he can do so.

Address all communications concerning above to

Charles J. DeLand, Secretary of State, Motor Vehicle Title Division.

MASONIC SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

GRAYLING, ROSCOMMON AND LEWISTON LODGES TO MEET HERE JAN. 2.

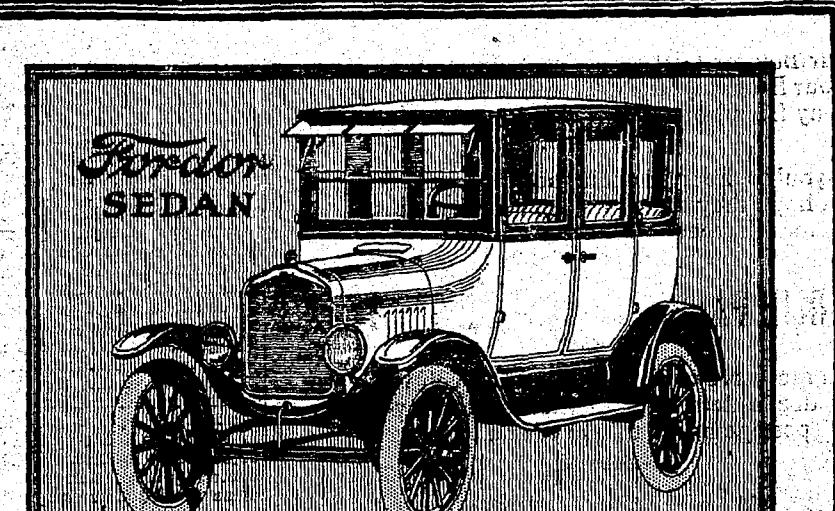
A Masonic school of instruction will be held in Grayling Temple, F. & A. M. on Wednesday night, January 2, for the local lodge and also the lodges of Roscommon and Lewiston.

Work in the first degree will be conferred by Grayling Lodge. Grand Lecturer Gilbert will be in charge of the work. All members of these lodges are cordially invited to attend the meeting, which will begin at 7:30 o'clock p.m. Special notice is called to the change in the meeting night from the regular Thursday night to Wednesday night. Members please be present.

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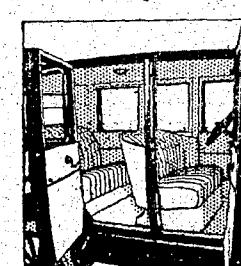
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WONDERFUL RECORD MADE BY CORNELL FOOTBALL SQUAD



Coach Gil Doble of the Cornell football team, shown in the inset, is credited with the wonderful record this squad has made in the last three years. Photograph shows Pfann, the clever field general of Doble's powerful eleven, getting away on a run, aided by perfect interference, which netted a thirty-five-yard gain for the Cornellians in the recent Columbia game.

English Admit Yankees

Quicker on Polo Field

English polo players admit the game as played in America against Americans is too speedy for them and they are a unit in declaring their own methods must be faster or their slow in the International matches in 1924 will not be any better than it was in 1923.

Americans, they assert, play at twice their speed. "They make every shot," says Lord Cholmondeley, one of the best players in the British Isles, "by not touching the pony's mouth. They take their man at once instead of waiting for him to hit the ball; and they take the ball if possible before it hits the boards, should it be going to them, and so speed up the game."

Since their experience against American fours, the English poloists believe the Yankee style is the best and they plan to use it in coming seasons. From now on, they will strive for team play instead of being four individuals chasing the ball. They realize the necessity of having three or more capable reserve players ready to step into the lineup who will function as well or better than the regulars.

Robertson Is Choice



Lawson Robertson, University of Pennsylvania coach, was unanimously recommended by the A. A. U. convention in Detroit, as its choice for head track coach of the 1924 Olympic team. This recommendation will in all probability be accepted by the executive committee of the American Olympic association. Robertson was assistant to Coach Moakley at the last Olympic.

Has Tricky Fadeaway.

Babe Ruth frankly admits he never faced a pitcher who troubled him quite as much as "Shucks" Pruitt of the Browns. Pruitt, with his peculiar slow fadeaway, has struck Ruth out about every other time he has faced him.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

New York city is the greatest sporting center in the world.

Expert says it takes nerve to be a golf player. Even takes nerve to dress like one.

Man o' War, the wonder horse of the American turf, won 20 races out of 21 events.

John J. McGraw's salary as manager of the New York Giants is estimated at \$50,000 a year.

To satisfy their love for outdoor sports inhabitants in New York city spent close to \$10,000,000 during the 1923 season. The chief sports were boxing, baseball and racing.

A hint from Cincinnati is that the management of the Reds would consider offers of a trade for Sam Bohne.

Mexico City now has three country clubs, in addition to numerous tennis, football, riding, baseball, rowing and polo clubs.

The twenty-fourth annual American Bowling congress will set another record entry mark with about 2,200 teams competing.

According to Coach Zuppke of Illinois football players need big feet to enable them to keep their balance when they are hit hard.

Swimming is the leading sport of the Hawaiian islands, followed by tennis, golf, polo, football, basketball, volleyball and baseball.

The University of Pennsylvania has 60 candidates for the boxing team. They will meet teams from West Point, Penn State, Massachusetts Tech, Colgate and possibly Yale.

Great Friend of Benz

Joe O'Neill, late traveling secretary of the White Sox, used to rove much of the time on the road with Joe Benz, pitcher, and dearly loved to put up jokes on the "meatball hurler."

Late one night O'Neill pounded heavily on their door, which was unlocked, by the way. After a long time Benz appeared, rubbing his eyes sleepily.

O'Neill was in his stocking feet, carrying his shoes under his arm. "I didn't want to disturb you, so I took them off," he said.

FEW PLAYERS STAND DIAMOND GRIND LONG

Cobb Has Stood Acid Test of 18 Years of Playing.

It is unusual for a really great athlete to last long. He works so hard that he wears out a lifetime of energy in a brief space. Occasionally a man comes up to the top who continues to star for a half dozen years; a rarity appears and holds his place for a dozen years, but once it is given any man to observe a star athlete who can continue to shine through a dozen and a half years.

For instance—of the 400 players in the major league 12 years ago, only 13 are still in the majors. One of these was out of the game for a time, so that only 12 have served continuously for the period of 12 years. Thus one man in forty is able to hold his own for the brief space of 12 years.

Of the approximately 3,500 players who were in the major leagues 18 years ago, only one remains. Since that time it is likely that 5,000 men have been in the majors only to pass out. Which proves that this one man who has survived the acid test of 18 years of starring must be some physical miracle to be the sole survivor of 3,500 men.

This man is Ty Cobb, manager and center fielder of the Tigers. He is going in for another year of strenuous athletic again next season, and probably for a season or two after that.

Only four men in the major leagues are with the clubs they were in 1911. They are Ty Cobb, Walter Johnson, Max Carey and Zack Wheat. Adams was back with Pittsburgh, but he was out in the Western League for a time and he doesn't count. The other veterans of a dozen years in the majors are Eddie Collins, Harry Hooper, John Collins, Jack Quinn, Jake Daubert, Trixie Speaker, Walter Johnson, Stuffy McInnis and Rube Marquard.

Of the whole lot, Cobb, dean of the bunch, is still probably the best player, but Speaker, Eddie Collins and Daubert are still good.

Batters Need Nerve for Hard Hitting, Says Wheat



Hitting depends entirely on a player's nerve, in the opinion of Zach Wheat, heavy-hitting outfielder of the Brooklyn National league club.

"A player who lacks courage always can be found well down in the averages," says Wheat. "Baseball's best hitters, like Ruth, Cobb, Speaker, Hornsby, Hellmann and Roush, are both nervy and confident. They know how to pull themselves out of a bat-biting slump."

"When I fall to hit I know I am doing something wrong at the plate and try to correct the fault. I know there isn't anything the matter with the bat, the ball or the umpire. It is my own fault, and no one can make me get back into my stride except Old Man Wheat himself."

"They went into one store where Santa Claus took them and showed them all the toys and gave

Honor Former Trainer

University of Pennsylvania Varsity club has erected at the south gate leading into Franklin field a memorial tablet in recognition of the services of Michael C. Murphy, who was coach of the track teams and trainer of football players from 1896 to 1900, and again from 1905 to 1912, when he died.

The tablet records that Mike Murphy was a "famous trainer of many victorious teams," and contains one of his oft-quoted sayings: "You can't lick a team that won't be licked." The tablet was dedicated when Cornell played football there Thanksgiving day.

Sande Won Initial Race on Arizona Fair Track

Earl Sande, who rode Zev to victory against Papirus, the pride of England, first appeared at race track eight years ago when at Arizona's state fair he asked for a chance to ride. Finally they gave it to him, and mounted the slim, freckle-faced boy on a horse with a reputation of pulling up at the end of a race with its rider missing. "Sandy" let loose pandemonium in the stands by thundering across the white line several lengths ahead of them all.

French Boxing.

In deciding next year's French military boxing championships, qualifying rounds will be held in various cities where the troops are quartered. The bout will take place February 1 to 10 and the finals in Paris, February 29.

Marines Get Two Stars.

Kipke and Utter, University of Michigan all-American football half and quarterback respectively, may join Devil Dogs upon receiving their diplomas next June.

Grand Circuit Statistics.

During last season's renewal of the Grand circuit harness season there were 264 races contested at the 12 meetings, of which 150 were for trotters and 103 for pacers. The latter raced 347 heats and the trotters 424. The purses amounted to \$579,896.75.

Poland in Olympics.

For the first time since the revival of the Olympic games in 1896, athletic teams from Poland will be represented in Paris next year. They will compete in the track and field events, swimming, wrestling and bicycle racing.

Big Muny Golf Links.

Atlanta's municipal golf links are expected to produce \$10,000 this year.

Nearly 50,000 enthusiasts have visited the public links this year and additional facilities are contemplated.

A Big Organization.

The National Association of Professional Baseball Players includes 1 major league and 225 minor leagues in which several thousand players are enrolled.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale
BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

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THE CHRISTMAS TREAT

"Twelve little children from the hospital had been taken for a Christmas treat," said Daddy, "and I am going to tell you just what they saw. They were taken to the city shops."

"Of course they saw any number of dolls and trains and toys and books and they went into all the big shops and also looked in all the windows."

"In one store there was a great big make-believe lion and by the way, he was an enormous make-believe lioness and they had long manes and heads that moved up and down and from side to side."

"The children put their hands in the lion's mouth and in the mouth of the lioness, and of course nothing happened because the lion and lioness were not real though they looked so life-like."

"In one window there was a great scene. There were double tracks and along one went a local train and along the other an express train."

"There were tunnels and bridges and most gorgeous signals which lighted up. And there were houses and garages standing about and trees and poles with make-believe telegraph wires. And there was a junction where the train stopped."

"It was just exactly like a make-believe town—in fact it looked like a real town."

"Every once in a while a toy airplane came down over the town and a make-believe monkey landed on the ground."

"Every one crowded around this window, men and women, boys and girls."

"Then the children saw toy ponds in which were goldfish, and even in a little pond of water which had been put in the toy village to look like a lake were goldfish swimming about."

"They went to look at themselves in a mirror where as they looked one way it appeared as though they were short and fat and when they looked another way it made them appear to have great enormously long faces and little bodies."

"Such laughter as there was about these mirrors!"

"Then they went into one store where Santa Claus took them and showed them all the toys and gave



What Fun It Was.

them each a letter from his pack and a little cardboard toy for each one and a gay picture of himself.

"And what fun it was, as you can imagine, to have such a treat as this."

"They saw toy villages where there were little street lights and houses with most superior hedges and garden plots and in the houses the rooms could be seen and the stairways."

"Then they took a ride with Santa Claus in a beautiful kind of merry-go-round which he had.

"It played tunes and the seats in it were made to look like different kinds of animals, and in the center was a great pole which looked as though it were covered with ice and snow and which was supposed to be the North Pole!"

"Then Santa Claus told them all to wave a good-by as they went for their ride and the other children who waited in line for the next ride when it would be their turn jumped up and down with glee at the thought of their turn coming next."

"They sang with Santa Claus and he called some of them, 'dear' and some of them 'sweetheart' and all sorts of pet names."

"Oh, it was nice to be called a pet name by some other than good old Santa Claus."

"They saw toys of every kind, toy butcher shops with make-believe pieces of meat hanging up."

"They saw all kinds of mechanical toys and even saw electric lights in one of the houses for dolls."

"But they thought they would rather own a somewhat costlier kind of a doll's house."

"Oh, it was a beautiful afternoon with so much to see and do. And they all had some candy later and then they rode home, singing as they went."

"And they saw a rooster weather-vane on one of the buildings all so splendidly lighted and they saw the moon and the moon blinked and grinned and said to himself:

"Well, I am glad to have come out in time to see these children and their Christmas treat—even if it's only the very end of it that I see!"

"And the getting well took so much shorter a time it seemed because of the many thoughts and memories the treat left with them."

The children called it whole moon and the moon blinked and grinned and said to himself:

"Well, well, what's the matter with my little girl today?" he inquired.

"It hurts," she sobbed.

"What hurts, my dear?"

"The back of my lap."

Simplified Anatomy.

Mary had been spanked by her mother. She was crying in the hallway when the minister entered.

"Well, well, what's the matter with my little girl today?" he inquired.

"It hurts," she sobbed.

"What's the matter with my back?"

"The back of my lap."

Time for Repairs.

Teacher—Johnny, suppose a clock strikes thirteen. What time is it?

Johnny—Time to get it fixed.

Frock of Persian Print;

Cloth Coats of Regal Splendor

A PRINTED chiffon afternoon frock is indeed "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." Seeing proves the first part of this statement and we will confirm the fact of just such a gown being "a joy forever."

There is considerable interest manifested in coat fabrics which simulate caracul fur or black broadtail and there are boucle woolens which can scarcely be distinguished from astrakhan. The latter is quite the rage, for short jacquettes and is variously trimmed in taupe fox fur or gray mouton, matched to the body color of the garment.

The elegance of a coat of beige caracul fur-cloth is apparent in the

class of strictly fashionables.

This season, however, marks a sensational entry of the cloth coat of regal splendor into the ranks of winter wrap aristocracy.

The first determination of the velocity of light was made by Romer in 1676. The method was based upon the observation of the eclipses of Jupiter's satellites, phenomena of frequent recurrence and easy of observation. Assuming that light requires time wherein to move from place to place through space, the interval between successive eclipses would appear too short when the earth is approaching Jupiter and too long when the earth is receding therefrom.

Romer found in his observations that such was the case, and that the interval was conditioned by the rate of speed at which the earth changed places relatively with Jupiter. From these constants Romer computed that light expended about 18½ minutes in crossing the earth's orbit. From this is deduced a velocity of about 186,500 miles a second.

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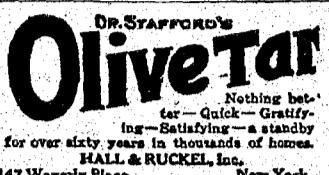
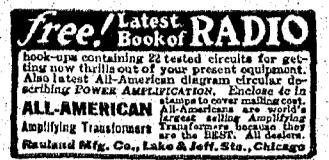
Skinner had invented a new hair restorer, and had sent a large number of sample bottles out to various well-known people in the hope of securing some testimonials for advertising purposes.

"I don't know whether to publish this testimonial or not," he said to a friend who was calling upon him as he was opening the letters.

"What does it say?" inquired the other.

"Well, it says," said the proud inventor, "Before I used your hair restorer I had three bald patches. Now I have only one."—Minneapolis Tribune.

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The piloting and control of a plane hurtling through space at four miles a minute or better is a feat to conjure the skill and resource of the most experienced flyer. Co-ordination of brain and hand, nerves of steel, instant judgment and every faculty on tiptoe—these are essentials, for success and safety. In the test flights for record speed at Mitchel field, Lieutenant Brow handled his plane with machine-like precision. "Not a thrill" was his comment after his 4½-miles-a-minute clip. If the "nick of time" means anything as a standard of measurement, Williams displayed that he had a full understanding of its meaning. Diving from an altitude of 9,000 feet to gain speed before he leveled off over the course, he approached to within ten feet of the ground, headed for almost certain destruction. One-fortieth of a second more and the crash would have come. But in that "nick of time" Williams leveled off and sped away to a new world's record. He estimated the speed in the dive at 280 miles an hour.

The Ideal Husband.

"What qualifications have you that give you the idea you would make a good husband for my daughter?" asked the Old Man.

"I am a splendid listener and make lots of money," he replied.

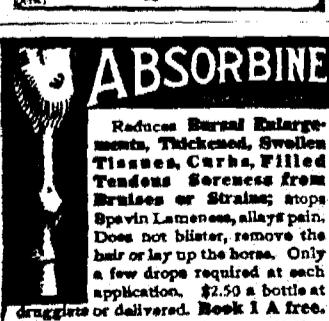
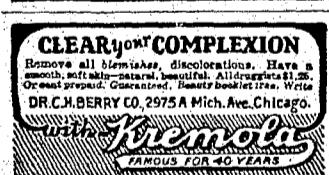
"All right," replied her dad, "go to it, but I warn you right now that both of these qualifications are going to get the acid test!"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Small Town Stuff.
"Is he prominent and influential?"
"Pretends to be; but I've seen him chasing his own hat."

Sure Relief FOR INDIGESTION



KEMP'S BALSAM



W. N. U., DETROIT, NO. 52-1923.

THE RED LOCK

A Tale of the Flatwoods.

By DAVID ANDERSON
Author of "The Blue Moon"
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"SOME LOOKER"

SYNOPSIS.—On the banks of the Wabash stand Texie Colin and Jack Warhope, young and very much in love. Texie is the only daughter of old Pap Simon, rich man and money-lender. Jack is the orphan bound boy of Pap Simon who had foreclosed a mortgage on the Wabash. At first Texie and Jack talk only of Texie's father, the girl's missing brother. Then Jack says that in ten days his servitude will be over, that he will ride out into the big world to seek his fortune. Both know what that will mean to them. Texie and Jack talk of the red lock of Pap Simon's barn. It's coming back as soon as he finds gold in California. Then arrives the new preacher, Rev. Caleb Hopkins. Pap Simon introduces the villagers to the new preacher who was a college mate of Ken. At supper at the Colin home the preacher tells them he has killed his wife and disappears. His father attributes Ken's fall from grace to his red lock of hair. Then Pap Simon has a sort of stroke, brought on by reading a letter from Ken, "somewhere in New York," who curses his father on his deathbed. A postscript by another hand says he is dead.

CHAPTER IV

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The Room Was Deadly Still.
Buckeye was the capital of the Flatwoods. Snugged away in a pocket of the bluffs where Eagle run breaks into the valley of the Wabash, it never woke up but once—when a rumor trickled in from somewhere that a railroad was headed that way. But the rumor subsided, Buckeye went back to sleep, and the big world forgot that it was there.

Zeke Polk's general store was the largest in the place. Zeke sold everything, from onion sets to grindstones, including whisky—barrels of it, from "squirrel" to mellow old Bourbon—right from the spigot. A flatwoodsman could buy it as he wanted it, from a drink to a jugful, but "furriners" had to be identified to get it in quantities less than a quart—an identification quite as exacting, though of a different sort, as that required to borrow money from Simon Colin—which is another way of saying that a man's face went as far in the Flatwoods as his note.

In the mellow evening of the day following the old banker's collapse over the remarkable letter—no syllable of which had been allowed to go beyond the red-roofed cottage—Uncle Nick Wiffles, a tall, iron-gray old man with twinkling eyes, sat smoking a quietly meditative pipe in the one chair of the store.

It was a variegated company that grouped around him in the dim half-light of the feeble coal-oil lamp, with its charred wick and smoke-stained chimney.

There was Zeke Polk, the master and proprietor of the store, a little old rag of a man; Al Counter, a one-eyed fisherman, with a complexion like a smoke-dried bacon rind; the blacksmith, with his hard arms, and hands so horny they could break a piece of iron hot enough to sizzle water. *Vinage...there...there*—aimless, doless drifters who had nowhere else to go.

Besides these, Lige Belden, said to be a Kentucky mountain man, tall, lanky and just comfortably in his prime, with reddish-sandy mustache and goatee, leaned on the end of the counter nearest the door. Little was known of him except that he and his sister had lately moved into an old cabin on one of Simon Colin's farms up at the head of Eagle hollow, and

"Aw, we'll be back by noon, easy." "Let me see," pondered the preacher, not willing to compromise his dignity by appearing overzealous. "This is Wednesday; tomorrow is Thursday—I believe I may safely allow myself his recreation. I shall be most happy to avail myself of your kind invitation."

The fisherman stood fingering his hat and staring at the door long after the minister had passed out; the twinkle gone from his puckered one eye, a puzzled look on his smoked bacon rind of a face.

"Well, I'll be darned! Wouldn't that singe yur whiskers! I dunno yet whether he said 'ed come or 'not.'

Uncle Nick threw his head back and fairly roared, while the postmaster rumpled up his dry countenance into a half-begrimed grin.

"Course he said 'ed come. Whar was you bring up at, anyhow? Didn't y' hyur 'im say he'd 'all himseif' of yur kind invitation? Course he's calculating t' come. Zeke, we'll haft' git Al a new spellin' book an' start 'im t' school next fall."

"Well," muttered the fisherman, as his face cleared and the twinkle came back to his waggish one eye, "all I got t' say is: he can use up more dictionay a-sayin' yes than any man I ever heard. But ain't 'e some looker—barris' that killin' rig he's habbiled up in?"

"Most too good-lookin'," piped Zeke.

"Aw, dunno, Zeke," Uncle Nick observed, "ain't goin' t' hurt 'im none. Only drawback I can see is: it's a pity t' waste all them good looks on a preacher."

"Anyhow," put in Al, his rakish eye dancing at Uncle Nick's remark, "if he was ugly enough t' tree the devil up a thorn bush, I don't 'low it'd he's prechin' none. An' I reckon he shore must be some preacher. 'e he wouldn't be where 'e is—teachin' in a college that makes preachers. I bet y'u he can cipher plum' through any arithmetic you can hand 'im, an' they say he's posted on purt nigh everthin' that's goin' on, 'e went on."

"That ain't neither hyur n'r there," argued Zeke. "That ain't no more'n at arm's length—and waited."

"Recollect Jim Rummidge, don't y'u, Zeke?" Uncle Nick remarked.

"Jim Rummidge, reckon I do that," piped Zeke's thin voice, as he leaned forward across the counter. "Ain't goin' t' fight 'im, neither, nor right soon I ain't. Went off t' Missouri own'in' me a dollar and thirty-four cents, and I never did git it."

"Aw, well, Zeke, don't worry none," Uncle Nick rejoined, "you've worried it outen some other pore devil b' this time, more'n likely."

The blacksmith slapped his heavy hand down on his thigh, the others laughed, the fisherman's frisky eye twinkled and he swore merrily.

Zeke said never a word, but the expression in his little rat eyes might have meant any number of things,

his duty, an' what the taxpayers back whar' e come from 'r payin' 'im f'r."

"Duty? 'r no duty," rejoined the fisherman, "it's a darn good sign."

"All the same," snapped the postmaster, "if I had a gal—which I ain't got, n'a never had—I wouldn't want 'er throwed with 'em like Sime Collin's gal is, an' she shouldn't be, nuther."

"Aw, well, Zeke," drawled Uncle Nick, "if she tuck after 'er daddy in looks, I reckon they wouldn't be no great."

The raucous laugh that followed from the crowd jarred the postmaster.

"I don't care what y'u say," he shrilled in his high, thin voice, "Texie Colin's got good looks enough, if that's what y'u want. I dunno what Sime Collin's a-thinkin' about. It ain't like 'im, t'ake in a teetotal furrier that-a-way, preacher 'n' no preacher—don' keefer if he's a classmate o' Ken's. That ain't no recommend, nōhō—bein' a classmate o' Ken's—fr' he was as ornry as the devil makes 'em. They're boun' to be throwed t'gether more'n they ought to be."

"Ain't much more'n a kid, nuther," the blacksmith remarked, apparently thoughtfully impressed, as he searched his pockets for a match.

"Som'er's around seventeen 'r eighteen—"

The postmaster glanced across at Uncle Nick, as if for confirmation of his statement. The old man took the

pipe from between his lips and sat tapping the stem against his thumb nail.

"I low' yur not fur off," he answered meditatively to the postmaster's look.

"Big Jack's twenty past, an' I've hear'n say Texie was three years younger to a day. That would bring 'er right around seventeen 'r eighteen."

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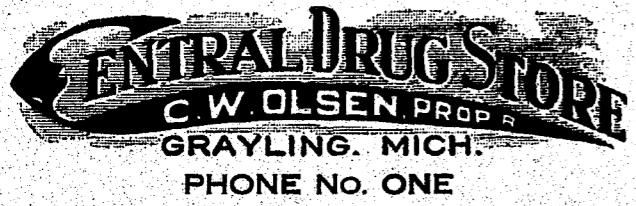
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Hail 1924

We extend to all our sincere wishes for a Happy and prosperous New Year.

Might the New Year bring Prosperity to our town and its people.



CRAWFORD AVALANCHE SUBSCRIPTION RATES	
One Year.....	\$2.00
Six Months.....	1.00
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O. P. Schumann, Editor and Proprietor

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1923.

SOLONS GO HOME WITHOUT PASSING REAPPORTIONMENT

FIND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO PASS
ANY CONSTITUTIONAL BILLS
FOR REDISTRICTING.

After sixteen days of futile debates, of explaining of votes, of questioning

each other's judgment if not integrity, the Legislature adjourned last week Wednesday evening without passing a reapportionment bill or any other legislation. This result was predicted by many even before the Legislature convened, as the obstacles standing in the way of redistricting were so many and so insurmountable.

Such legislative leaders as Thomas D. Meggison of Antrim county, speaker pro-tem of the House, declared that it was "a well nigh impossible task to enact a constitutional reapportionment of the state senatorial and representative districts under the present constitution."

Vote Down Everything.

Developments during the session proved the truth of these early predictions. A bill to rearrange the state senatorial districts to give Wayne seven senators, instead of five as at present, was passed by the Senate, but met defeat in the House, 14 to 51. All efforts to revive this bill proved futile, the 51 standing solid against it.

The House took even more unkindly

to any proposal to give Wayne any more representatives, and thus reduce the rural representation. A bill to increase the Wayne county delegation in the House from 14 to 21, was defeated 64 to 32. Later this vote was reconsidered, but when an opinion was received from the Attorney General stating that the bill was plainly unconstitutional in two different respects, even the Detroit members turned against it and it went down in defeat, 90 to 8.

Over-ride Speaker Welsh.

According to the rules of the House, a proposition which has been once defeated, then reconsidered and again defeated, cannot be brought up again without a suspension of the rules, which requires a two-thirds vote. Failing to secure this, the friends of the measure introduced a new bill, which altogether very similar in substance to the defeated bill, still appeared in a new form, being submitted as an amendment to the old apportionment law. The defeated bill had been an attempt to enact an entirely new law on this subject. The speaker ruled that the new bill was in order because it was in a different form than the one sustained, 50 to 44. At this point another attempt was made to suspend the rules, but the vote stood 49 to 46 against it.

QUESTIONABLE INVESTMENTS.

The writer had occasion a few days ago to learn the actual financial condition of an old lady who thought she had investments worth \$3,000 to \$5,000. She will be quite fortunate if she has half the first mentioned sum, which figures luckily is likely to prove sufficient for her future comfort and mental security. The lady is 89 past. This situation is positively tragic, but in the case of many people it is the rule, a banker told us, rather than the exception. Like many old people who have had laid by something for their old age they usually start their early savings program by putting their money in safe investments. As they grow older they seem to lose their middle-life keenness in these matters and let the smooth stock salesman trade them out of their good holdings. They take too much for granted from strangers. Where they made a practice of consulting a banker or advisor in middle life they too often fail to follow the practice as they grow older in years and less keen in perception. Just now we think of one or two other local cases of old people who have been "jipped" out of their carefully created earnings. A law that no person past seventy could transfer their property or money without the approval of the probate court would save money a headache and law suit. Law suits affecting the rights of old people who have deeded away their property for care are quite common, but the public little realizes what a common thing it is for old people to lose their money in worthless stocks.

Which brings up another point. Business men are too apt to allow their names to be used in the sale of stocks, etc. Stop that practice today; you may be buying a stock speculation—all stocks are such in their promotion stage—while the other person, who may be accepting your business judgment on the offering, wants an investment for her little savings—something about which there can be no doubt, like high grade bonds, and in this case know your house, farm mortgages or government issues, of which there are several, and all the best security in the world. In other words, be careful about endorsing a financial stock proposition that is still in the promotion stage. You would be surprised to know how freely and effectively stock salesmen use your name to earn their commissions. And it is well enough to always have in mind that the interest this transient has in your welfare is confined exclusively to the commissions involved in the sale. Don't buy because your pastor's uncle advised it—he may be splitting the commission with the salesman for giving the stock his approval. Keep off the dotted line unless you know exactly what you are doing and then you had better wait until tomorrow and talk it over with any banker, who will be glad to advise you, or some person in whom you have reason to have confidence—De Foe, in Charlotte Republican.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Michigan Memorial church will meet at the home of Mrs. E. N. Darveau, Friday, January 4, 1924.

Red Coral Long Traded In.

Trade in red coral with the Far East began in very remote times. It is mentioned in a poem by the Chinese poet Yung Pal, who died in 117 B. C., and in the time of the Han dynasty. About 200 years later traveler was sent from China to report on the coral fishery of the Mediterranean sea. At a later date it was introduced into the Chinese materia medica.

Reinach described the trade with the Celtic races in pre-Roman times. Specimens have been found in Britain and Ireland. The Romans stopped the trade with the Celtic races, however, in order to send the coral to India in exchange for frankincense, myrrh, and precious stones.

Ancestors of the Necktie.

The necktie came into use as something with which to warm the neck in cold weather. The ruff was the fore-runner of the bit of color that is knotted at a man's throat today.

After the ruff came neckcloths of Brussels lace, which were at one time worn so long that the ends were tucked in the waistcoat. Later a broad silk ribbon was worn and the grandfather of the cravat wore a cravat which passed twice around the collar. The modern scarf made its appearance about forty years ago.



CITY OF WASHINGTON UNIQUE

Coempolitan yet distinctly American is the Capital of the United States of America.

During its history with a territorial form of government, the District of Columbia had two governors, Governor Cook and Governor Shepherd. President Grant appointed Governor Shepherd and stood by the governor in all the furious attacks made upon him in the stormy political strife that prevailed in the District of Columbia when the people had the vote.

The attacks upon Governor Shepherd became so fierce that he left the District after congress had killed the territorial form of government and established the present form; three commissioners appointed by the President; a District of Columbia committee, in both house and senate, was created and passes upon appropriations, schools, and all matters pertaining to the government of the District and the city of Washington. There is no city in which the people of North, South, East and West meet and congregate as they do in Washington. Every accent in speech, and the colloquialisms of every state are heard there. Practically every nationality and country of the world is represented in Washington in the 34 embassies and legations of foreign countries. But Washington is distinctly an American city in the make-up of its population. Practically all the officials, government clerks and employees are American-born and come from every state.—Ex-change.



LOVE STORY MADE IMMORTAL

Romance of Elaine, the "Lily Maid of Astolat," Subject of Great Verses by Tennyson.

Elaine, "the lily maid of Astolat," loved Sir Lancelot, but was not loved in return. Sir Lancelot was sworn to celibacy, and in addition his interest was centered in Guinevere, the queen. Elaine, realizing the hopelessness of her passion, died of a broken heart. In accordance with her last request her body, clad in white, and resting on the bed on which she died, was placed on a barge and guided by an old dumb servitor to King Arthur's palace. In her right hand was placed a lily, and in her left hand a letter declaring her love. When the "dead steered by the dumb" reached the palace wharf, the king requested that the body be brought ashore. The letter was then read, and the departed buried in a manner befitting a queen. On the tomb was inscribed the sad narrative of Elaine's unrequited passion.

The story is derived from Sir Thomas Malory's history of Prince Arthur, and has been told in blank verse by Tennyson, forming one of the "Idylls of the King."



"Why do you carry your cigars with you if you've sworn off smoking? Don't you know it's just a temptation to smoke?"

"Not at all. I left my matches home so I wouldn't be tempted."



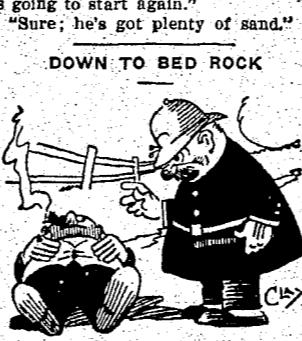
Author—This article is the child of my brain.

Editor—Drop your child in that waste basket.



"That grocer has failed twice, and is going to start again."

"Sure; he's got plenty of sand."



Officer—Hi! Whatta you asleep in the road for?

Tramp—Dis is de road-bed, ain't it?

PROPERLY NAMED



"Wonder why this army journal is called simply The Magazine?"

"Full of military articles, I suppose."

Don't put your auto away for the winter without special fire insurance. Attractive rates; sound policies. Palmer Fire Insurance Agency, Avalanche office.

GETTING UP NIGHTS

Tells you there's danger ahead. A healthy bladder does not catch a cold.

J. H. Heron, W. Greenway, says: "I had to give up my car because of a bad cold. After taking a bath I took a short nap. When I awoke I found myself in bed, thereby fulfilling irritation, driving out the germs, and getting rid of the natural action of the bladder at night. I have since been able to get along without a car, and am now in full health again."

STRAYED—A BLACK AND WHITE Holstein cow, about Thursday, December 13, from our home six and one half miles east of Grayling. Please notify Harley Diltz, Grayling.

WANT TO HEAR FROM OWNER

having farm for sale; gov't particulars and lowest price. John J. Black, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

12-20-3.

FOR SALE—A CECILLIAN PIANO

Player. Cheap for cash. With

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Avalanche office for particulars. At-

taches to any style of piano. 11-29-6.

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Just Received....

25

Ladies' Dresses

Poiret, Twill, Canton and Satins--25 different styles--special at

\$11.98 worth \$18.50

Grayling Mercantile Co.



For
Christmas
and
New Year

Carnations, red and dark pink, per doz.	\$1.75
Carnations, white and light pink, per doz.	\$1.50
Few Chrysanthemums left in red and yellow at	
50c, 75c and \$1.00 a bunch	
Cyclamen plants, bright red, per plant, \$1 and \$1.50	
White Narcissus in bloom, per plant, .35c to \$1.25	
Primroses, per plant	.35c
Lettuce, per pound	.30c
Cut Flower Baskets, each from	.75c to \$9.75
Red Wreaths for window decorations each 35 and 50c	
Artificial Dahlias, Roses, Asters, Clover 15 and 25c	
Artificial Fruit, boxes containing 2 clusters of grapes, 2 bananas, 2 plums, 2 apples, 2 pears, 1 orange, 1 peach, per box	\$4.00

Grayling Greenhouses

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us as to our charges for acting in any of the following capacities:

Trustee or Assignee for creditors.

Trustee or Agent under private agreement.

To care for, invest or disburse a fund created for any purpose.

To invest funds and pay you the income.

To take charge of property of those desiring to be relieved of its care.

To hold legal title to timber lands or other real estate and to handle and convey the same when sold.

To hold or dispose of papers or property under an escrow agreement.

Trustee under Mortgage or Deed of Trust of Property in Michigan or any state.

To secure an issue of bonds.

To secure and account for a sinking fund or other special fund.

To continue, operate or wind up a business for creditors and others.

Transfer Agent for stocks of corporations.

Registrar for bonds or stocks of corporations.

THE MICHIGAN TRUST COMPANY
GRAND RAPIDS



Good Wishes for 1924

May it bring forth to you bounteous blessings and happiness and an abundance of prosperity. This is our sincere wish to the many patrons of this store.

You by your patronage have helped to make our business a success. We are indeed grateful and extend our most sincere thanks.



Locals

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1923.

Clare Cameron is spending Christmas with friends in Grayling.

Miss Beatrice Fales spent Xmas in Beaver Falls the guest of her parents.

Silk dresses of latest design at Redson & Cooley's Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Get your party dress at Redson & Cooley's special sale, Friday, Saturday and Monday. New goods.

Mrs. Winifred Cohen of Detroit and Miss Helen Weinberg of Saginaw are guests of Mrs. A. Kraus.

Clarence and Carl Johnson are spending the holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson.

Mrs. M. Cronover and her son Oscar Smith are spending the holidays with Mrs. Cronover's brother, Walter Smith at Alba.

Mrs. B. A. Cooley left Wednesday with her grandson Samuel Gust to spend a few days in Vanderbilt with her daughter.

Mrs. Grant Thompson and little son of Bay City are visiting for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Gothro.

Miss Mildred Corwin, who is attending the Mt. Pleasant Normal school this year is home for the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin.

John Phelps, who is attending the Flint Junior College, is spending a few days of his holiday vacation with Grayling friends, a guest while here of Herman Hanson.

Clifford Crane, physical instructor and basketball coach of our schools was called to Flint Friday by the very serious illness of his brother, Mrs. Crane accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McNeven and daughter Gloria of Detroit are spending the holidays here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Olson and Mr. and Mrs. William McNeven.

Messrs Einer Rasmussen and Walter Miller motored up from Monroe and spent Saturday and Sunday visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rasmussen and other relatives.



Make it one in fact by becoming a steady customer at this store, where you receive courtesy, accommodation, protection and good fellowship. Take your rightful place among the substantial men and women of this community who appreciate good store service, and good groceries, purchasing from this store. We are here to serve you.

And now as this year comes to a close, we wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

H. PETERSEN
Grocer

Mrs. Irma Ostrander is the guest of Mrs. Earl Whipple and family.

William Anderson of Bay City spent Christmas in Grayling as the guest of John Bruun.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Trudeau of Gaylord spent Christmas with Mr. Trudeau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trudeau.

Mrs. Anna Nelson, who is employed in Grand Rapids spent Xmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson and family.

Donald Herrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Herrick drove through from Detroit Sunday to spend Xmas at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Liland Smock are rejoicing over a real Christmas gift, a daughter, Wanda Marie, born Dec. 22 at Mercy Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hewitt and daughter of Cheboygan are spending the holidays with Mrs. Hewitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cassidy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routier and son, Ralph, of Detroit are spending Christmas with Mrs. Routier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bauman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wescott, son Hanson and daughter Helen of Detroit are spending the holidays with Mrs. Wescott's mother, Mrs. J. K. Hanson.

Kenneth Cameron of Detroit is expected to arrive during the holidays to visit his mother and sister Mrs. Mary Cameron and Mrs. C. O. McCullough.

Misses Matilda and Helen Cook, Mr. Jacobson, and Mr. Paulson of Detroit and Harry Cook of Flint are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Cook.

Charles Fehr has been ill at his home since Friday of last week. He expects to leave for Detroit or Ann Arbor the latter part of the week for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams and family spent last week end in Bay City. They are entertaining Mrs. Adam's sister, Miss Edith Alstrom of Detroit and father, Leander Alstrom of Mancelona during the holidays.

Mrs. C. R. Keyport was hostess to the Bridge club Saturday afternoon. Everyone had a very pleasant time. Miss Margaret Bauman held the highest score. Mrs. Ralph Routier of Detroit and Miss Doty of Grand Rapids were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Borchers returned Wednesday afternoon from Bay City where they spent Christmas with Lester McPeak and family. Their little nieces, Genevieve and Ada Jane McPeak accompanied them home for a few days visit.

Election of officers was held Thursday evening, Dec. 20th with following results: W. M., John Bruun; S. W., John C. Yahr; J. W., H. G. Jarmin; Treas; R. D. Connine; Sec.; Frank Sales; S. D., James Bowen; J. D. L. J. Kraus; Tyler, L. M. Mead.

Appropriate Christmas services were held in the Danish-Lutheran church on Christmas Eve and again on Christmas morning and large crowds were present at both services.

There was special music by the choir and Rev. Kjohede gave fine sermons.

Many children enjoyed the exercises given by the Michelson Memorial church in the high school auditorium Saturday evening. A musical program was enjoyed. Two large gayly trimmed Christmas trees decorated the stage, from which the children received gifts of candy and oranges.

Herman Doroh is suffering from injuries incurred when he was accidentally struck by a car driven by Leo Skinner Saturday afternoon. The accident occurred on M14 near the bridge crossing the AuSable. A broken leg and a few minor injuries resulted. He is recuperating at Mercy Hospital.

The mild weather has enabled rapid progress to be made on the new bridge which is being constructed on the main stream of the AuSable near Stephan's club houses. This new structure will prove a great benefit to tourists and fishermen as it is one of the only two bridges crossing the AuSable that give access to the many fishing haunts and clubs along the stream.

William Schreiber spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schreiber, Sr.

Miss Lillian Smith of Detroit is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith.

Melvin Bates left Monday for Pontiac where he will spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. Ben Jerome.

Frank Tetu and family spent Xmas in West Branch visiting Mrs. Tetu's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

The stork beat Santa Claus by two days when he delivered a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Matthews Dec. 23rd.

Ernest Duvall and family of Monroe arrived Sunday morning to spend Christmas visiting Mrs. Duvall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Jorgenson.

Hans Petersen left Monday to spend Christmas with his daughter Mrs. James Olson and family of Oxford. Mrs. Petersen left early last week for that place.

M. R. Crowell spent Christmas with his family, who are in East Jordan. He was accompanied by Ray Lee, who went there also to spend Christmas.

Just before the Charity Ball—a three day sale of silk dresses, Friday, Saturday and Monday. New stock just received.

Redson & Cooley.

C. J. Hathaway, Optometrist of Pontiac is in Grayling at his old stand for a couple of days. He arrived yesterday and will remain until tomorrow afternoon. While here he is also calling on his old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Adler Jorgenson left Saturday night for Ypsilanti where they spent Christmas with their son Benton and family. Mr. Jorgenson returned Tuesday night, Mrs. Jorgenson remaining for a longer visit.

The Grayling Independents won their first game of the basket ball season, at Saturday night by defeating the Vanderbilt Tigers on the home floor. The game was a purely one-sided affair, the score being 38 and 8. There was not the crowd present that usually attends the independent games, owing no doubt to people doing late Christmas shopping.

It is hoped that there will be a good crowd out at the next game which will be played in the near future. Everyone is looking forward to the Charity Ball which will be the biggest event of the holiday season in Grayling. Preparations are being made by the different committees to make the party the finest possible. Plans are being carried out to take care of a large crowd and the high school gymnasium will present a most attractive appearance with its seasonal decorations. Lunch will be served without extra charge. Everyone should take this opportunity to entertain their guests. The tickets are on sale now at \$1.50.

James Hanson and family, the fore part of the week, moved back into their house on Peninsular avenue, which they were forced to leave when fire sadly damaged the place in September. N. Schjotz bought the ruined building and had it repaired and remodeled in fine shape both inside and out. Previous to the fire this was used as a boarding and rooming house for teachers and also furnished a fine eating place for office employees and clerks about town. Mrs. Hanson assisted by her daughter Mrs. Ralph Hollowell will resume serving meals and letting rooms.

The usual Christmas services were held at St. Mary's church. The altar with the lighted tapers amid a profusion of pine boughs and clusters of poinsettias and red carnations were beautiful. For the midnight mass the hymnal was rendered by Mrs. Marius Hanson, Miss Lucille Hanson, Mrs. Frank Tetu, A. E. Mason, Alfred Hughes and Joseph Cassidy. Every seat in the church was filled and there were a large number of communicants. Rev. Fr. Bosler delivered an appropriate sermon. At the eight o'clock mass on Christmas morning the girls choir under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy rendered the music, among which were a couple of violin selections.

Last evening the Sunday school classes of the Danish-Lutheran church and their parents and friends enjoyed their annual Christmas party at Danabod hall. The young folks danced around the large brilliantly lighted Xmas tree from which sacks of candy and nuts, oranges and apples were distributed. Late in the evening coffee and cake were served by the Danish Ladies Aid society. There was a large crowd present.

Grayling High School boys and girls basketball team went to Kalkaska last week Friday night and lost both games. The score for the boys game was 13 to 8; for the girls 13 to 7. Those who accompanied the teams report that the local teams received the most unsportsman-like treatment from the Kalkaskians that they were ever accorded. Rules of the game were disregarded time after time, to the advantage of the Kalkaskians teams. Grayling teams are known to be good sports even when losing and are always glad to acknowledge the superiority of any teams that may defeat them, but when it is done in a manner that it was reported it was done at Kalkaska, it leaves a very unpleasant memory.

When any team goes out to win at any cost or by any means, even if they are unfair, it is time to leave them off their schedule for athletic games.



Michigan Happenings

Capt. Joseph Valentine, keeper of the lighthouse at Hammons Bay, near Rogers, for years, having been the first appointee to that post and retaining it until his retirement a few years ago, died recently at his home in Rogers. Capt. Valentine was known the length and breadth of the Great Lakes and widely respected. He was a member of various Masonic fraternities, including Masonic Temple of Detroit. Many retired captains of life saving stations on the Great Lakes attended his funeral.

Farmers' Week at the Michigan Agricultural College has come to be the biggest annual agricultural conference of farmers of the state, will be held Feb. 4 to 8, according to the announcement of A. M. Berrigan, chairman of the Farmers' Week committee. During recent years the attendance during the week has grown until last year it passed the 5,000 mark. This year the committee is making arrangements to care for an even greater attendance.

Charles Lathrop Pack, of Lakewood, N. J., president of the American Tree association, has offered to give the University of Michigan a fund of \$1,000, proceeds of which will be used as a prize for forestry students, the faculty of the forestry department to make suggestions for administration of the prize. The donor's father, George W. Pack, was elected regent of the university in 1883 and served as one of the presidential electors for Lincoln.

Twenty-seven thousand acres of land in Cheboygan and Presque Isle Counties became the property of F. C. Browne, of Chicago, through his purchase of the Black River ranch. The ranch comprises some of northern Michigan's wildest land, the habitat of considerable large game. Black bear, deer, wolves and coyotes are said to be plentiful within its boundaries.

J. F. Collins, vice-president and general manager of the Michigan Electric Railway Co., successor to the M. U. R., announced recently that fast passenger buses and freight trucks have been authorized to connect its lines with Flint from Owosso. Two freight cars and 15 trailers will be added to the service and a \$50,000 freight station will be built at Lansing.

Notwithstanding that Hart County has seven large canning factories they can consume only a small part of the large fruit crop that is annually grown near here. A dozen prominent growers, meeting here, considered the building of another factory to be run on the co-operative plan. A sum has been pledged sufficient to assure the construction of a \$50,000 plant.

Henry Harrison Harper, 54 years old, Pleasant Lake farmer, dropped dead suddenly while cutting wood near Lake Mitchell recently. His stepson 17 years old, dragged the body to the auto and started for this city, supporting the body upright on the front seat. The boy didn't know his father was dead until he arrived at Cadillac.

Sinking deeper and deeper as he struggled to free himself from the mire in Big Lake, near Diamond Springs, Jacob Smith, 17 years old, a duck hunter, sank until his head disappeared under the water. The body was found in a standing position by hunter who noticed an overturned boat and investigated.

Dr. Frank Hollsworth, of Tawas City, was elected president of the Northwestern Clinical Society at a meeting held at Cadillac. The other officers are: Dr. J. W. Gunnett, vice-president and Dr. F. C. Swartz, secretary and treasurer. All the officers are from Traverse City.

Completing his fourteenth year on the bench of the United States circuit court of appeals and attaining his seventeenth year, Judge Loyal E. Knapen, of Grand Rapids, will retire soon according to an announcement at Grand Rapids last week.

Fire destroyed five buildings in the business section of Shorwood last week. Among the buildings destroyed were the postoffice and the telephone exchange. The local fire department was assisted by firemen from Colon and Union City.

Calhoun County Agricultural Society directors have voted to erect agricultural and horticultural buildings 100 by 40 feet and to build new horse barns for the seventy-sixth annual fair to be held at Marshall next fall.

Pansies blooming in an open door yard were displayed here last week by Mrs. Charles Shaw, of Pontiac. The blooms were as large and perfect as those of summer.

Announcement was made by the controller of the currency that a charter has been issued to the Reed City National bank, here, which has been converted from the Commercial Savings bank of the same place. Its capital is \$25,000. O. W. Clark is president and E. G. Wurts cashier.

Four hundred and sixty-four carloads of fruit have been shipped from Hart so far this season and more than 1,200 cars have left Oceana County.

John Young, of Alpena, shot a white fox, while hunting on Little Wolf Creek last week. The fox is a fine specimen, with a coat of fur heavier than that of the red or black fox which are larger. As far as can be learned this is the first white fox to be caught in the state.

Statistics proving that the tourist traffic to the upper peninsula of Michigan, for the past year, has far exceeded that of any previous season have been compiled at Marquette by the questionnaires designed for getting information relative to (1), the number of tourists who visited the peninsula during the past year (2), the revenue derived by each community and the peninsula from the tourists, (3), the effect of the tourists upon the community at large, and (4), the prospects of tourist traffic for the future.

The Rev. O. W. Behrens, representing the M. A. C., ranked first in a national inter-collegiate students poultry judging contest at Chicago last week. The M. A. C. team was second, Missouri winning first place. Other members of the M. A. C. team were: C. H. Wright, of Williamson, who was fifth among individuals; and George Allen, of Rockford, Ill., who was sixth. Mr. Behrens was a chaplain in the U. S. Navy during the World War and later was a student pastor at East Lansing.

Fourteen Grant township farmers, near Port Huron, headed by William Ellerthorpe, for whom warrants have been issued for failure to pay a dog tax as provided for by a state law, have engaged an attorney and are fighting the constitutionality of the law. The state law requires farmers and others not residing in cities to pay a tax of \$3 to the state for a male and \$4 for a female dog. The Grant township farmers claim a watch dog is a necessity and should not be taxed.

Dr. George W. Dunphy, 74 years old, state veterinarian from 1837 to 1901; and from 1913 to 1921, and nationally known for his efforts to eradicate the "hoof" and mouth disease among cattle, died at Lansing recently. He served as chairman of the educational committee of the American association of veterinarians in 1918 and devoted his life to raising the standards of the veterinary colleges of United States and Canada.

Bishop John N. McCormick, of the Western Michigan Diocese of the Episcopal Church, at Grand Rapids, will sail Jan. 14 for a four-months' stay in Europe, Egypt and the Near East. Bishop McCormick has charge of the American Episcopal churches in Europe and will make supervisory visits to various cities where these churches are located.

The Hillsdale country fair board has announced it has granted the Hillsdale Chamber of Commerce the right to equity a portion of the fairgrounds for tourists' camp purposes. Because of the convenience of city gas and water, it is proposed to have a modern sanitary camp, with shower baths, toilet and cooking facilities.

The Rev. Fr. T. J. Ryan, 65 years old, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, at Pontiac, died last week. He has been pastor for 30 years, and was the first pastor to die at St. Vincent's. During his pastorate he has established a large school, convent, parish community house and campus.

James J. Hitchings, pioneer lumberman and merchant in Petoskey, and former city marshal and deputy sheriff, died last week, following a year's illness. He came here in 1876 from Clayton, Mich. His family has been closely associated with the growth and development of this region.

Sheriff Peter D. Rogers of Flint, in feeding the prisoners committed to his charge at the county jail, has established a record for efficiency and economy thought to be unequalled in any other similar institution in the state, serving two good meals for thirteen cents.

T. A. Farrand, 31 years old, horticulture specialist in the extension department of the Michigan Agricultural college, Lansing, died in a Detroit hospital last week. He was secretary of the Michigan Horticultural association.

For the first time in the history of northern Michigan an effort is to be made to keep highways open all winter. A campaign was put on at Cadillac to raise enough money to buy snow-fighting equipment and build snow fences.

An investigation into charges that state lands are being shrunk of their evergreen growth and that the state forest conservation policy is endangered by the Christmas tree traffic has been ordered by Governor Grossbeck.

Mrs. Susannah Rannels, the first Battle Creek woman to register for voting, observed the one hundred and first anniversary of her birth quietly at her home recently.

First definite action toward an investigation of the possibility of supplying cheap current for farmers of Michigan was taken at a meeting of the special committee of the Michigan public utilities commission appointed for the purpose of probing the cost of furnishing electric power to the rural communities.

By a vote of 10 to 8 supervisors at Monroe elected Dr. A. Degroot Dundee, a veterinarian of Monroe county. The position is for one year.

Having served 36 years with one firm of Three Rivers, Murray J. Russ, office manager, has been retired, on pension. Mr. Russ for 24 years has been a member of the board of education, of which he is president now.

The Grandville Methodist Episcopal congregation, one of the oldest Protestant groups in the Grand valley, bade farewell to its old church building with simple services recently. Its new church having been dedicated last week.

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PASSING of the JULIAN CALENDAR

1924 FINDS ALMOST ALL THE WORLD KEEPING THE SAME TIME



OLD CATHEDRAL AT SOFIA
Photo by Underwood & Underwood

By JOHN DICKINSON SHERMAN

YOU do not have to be the seventh son of a seventh son to venture the modest prophecy that the year A. D. 1924 is quite likely to be a rather stirring and important year. In fact, it looks as if almost anything may happen—excepting always the usual and expected.

But the fame of 1924 is secure, even if nothing out of the ordinary does happen. It will go down to history as the first year since 1582 in which practically all of the civilized world kept the same time.

In short, 1924 sees abandonment of the Julian calendar by the Eastern Orthodox Christians and their adoption of the Gregorian calendar. This means that the whole civilized world, with the exception of about eight million Uniates, is marching in step behind old Father Time with his hour glass and scythe.

How long this synchronism, coincidence, simultaneous concurrence, isochronism, or whatever you prefer to call it, may last nobody can tell. There are half a dozen movements under way to tinker further with the Gregorian calendar. Some one of them is likely to produce an improved calendar. Then part of the world will adopt the improved calendar and the rest of the world will struggle along behind as usual.

Yes, 1924 takes quite a fall out of Cato Julius Caesar, though it has taken nearly two thousand years to bring it about. It was just about two thousand years ago that the hero of "Veni, vidi, vici," "Et tu Brute?" and "Omnis Gallia" became seriously annoyed over the fact that the calendar of imperial Rome and her world-wide dominions was just ninety days ahead of the sun. Joshua commanded the sun to stand still, and it obeyed him but Caesar was altogether too clever to think he could make it hault. So he promptly gave out the word for the world to use the same date for ninety days and let the sun catch up. Which the world did and the sun did. Then Caesar, to keep the sun right on its course, proclaimed leap year and February 29 every once in four years.

The old Roman calendar, which Caesar doctor up had 365 days and was supposed to have been established by Romulus, the legendary founder and first king of Rome. And Caesar made the mistake of not doing the job himself. Instead, he turned it over to Sosigenes of Alexandria, a Greek astronomer and mathematician. And Sosigenes slightly bungled the job, for the sun and his calendar didn't exactly jibe, and by 1582 the sun was ten days ahead.

It was in that year that Ugo Buoncompagno, known to fame as Pope Gregory XIII, took the Julian calendar in hand for another doctoring. And Pope Gregory did not do the job himself, either. He set to work Luigi Lilio Ghiraldi, an astronomer and physician of Naples. He got sun and calendar working together, or nearly so. He died and another mathematician, one Clavus, worked out the necessary calculations for the verification. The calculations were published in 1583 in a volume of 800 pages, authorized by Pope Gregory. And that is the Gregorian calendar in use today.

The Gregorian calendar, however, was not adopted by all the world at once. October 5 became October 15 in Spain, Portugal, and France. The Roman Catholic states of Germany adopted it the next year, but in other German states and the Scandinavian countries it was not accepted

until 1700. Popular opinion in England prevented its adoption there until 1752, by act of English parliament.

The American colonies, of course, set their calendar ahead at the same time. All of the original thirteen had been established. This was eight years before the conquest of Canada by the British and the accession of George III. War was already in the air and George Washington had been commanded by Governor Dinsmore of Virginia to go to the Ohio valley and order out the French pioneers. George was only twenty years of age, so he promptly changed his birthday from February 11 to February 22. This aftertarding of one's birth was, however, forbidden in England by a law prescribing that all births and deaths prior to September 2, 1752, should be dated according to the Julian calendar. But the practical effect was—and is—that for nearly a fortnight there is a hiatus in history.

Between George Washington's time and the World war only two countries of importance adopted the reformed calendar, Japan and China, the latter changing over from its lunar calendar of 354 days in 1911, upon the organization of the republic. Incidentally, the Gregorian year of 1924 corresponds with the year 2584 of the Japanese era and with the year 4021 of the Chinese era. Turkey adopted the "New Style" in 1917. The Soviet government in Russia soon followed and Rumania made the change in 1919.

But the Balkans have proved a hard nut to crack. It took a gathering of the Eastern Orthodox Christians from all over eastern Europe last spring in a Pan-Orthodox congress to bring the change. These Eastern Orthodox Christians form what is often called the Greek church. They themselves use the name "Holy Oriental Orthodox Catholic Apostolic church." Its members number about 165,000,000. They do not acknowledge the supremacy of the pope. The split between the Latin and Greek churches occurred at the division of the Roman empire.

And even then the Eastern Orthodox Christians accepted the Gregorian calendar with "reservations." Professor Trpkovic, a Serbian astronomer, has

come about through public opinion.

Tinkering with the calendar has been well-known and justly popular sport ever since the dawn of civilization. The savage, when he saw the days lengthen and the sun grow warmer after a hard winter knew that the recurrent miracle of the spring was at hand. He rejoiced—and let it go at that.

But in Egypt, when civilization was many years ago that to fix the date is largely guesswork, the calendar soon took a prominent place in the business of getting daily bread. Egypt was peculiarly interested in the bread question because in ancient times it was the world for that reason was Mistress of the World. Every hour of every day had to be utilized in the growing of crops on the fertile lands irrigated by the annual inundation of the Nile. Therefore the springtime planting had to be on schedule time. So the wise men of the day first planted a pole and measured the length of its shadow when the sun crossed the meridian. And out of those first poles grew the building of the pyramids, each an improvement over the last in accuracy as a sun dial—5,000 years ago.

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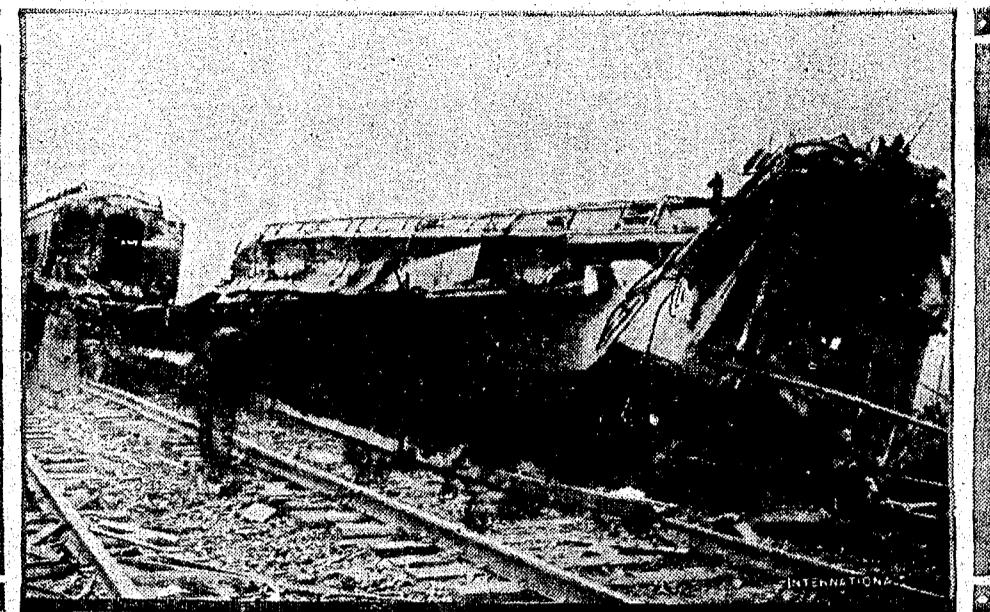
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Wreck of the Twentieth Century in Which 9 Were Killed



View of the wreck of the Twentieth Century train on the New York Central at Forsythe, N. Y., in which nine persons were killed and two score injured. One section of the train hit an automobile and stopped, and another section crashed into it.

Two Youthful Champions of Ohio



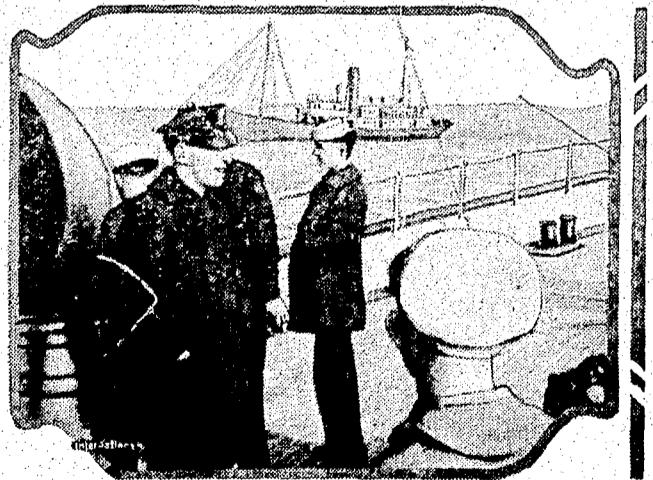
Delbert Mowery, aged fourteen, of Fayette county, is the champion pig club member of the state of Ohio, having raised a Poland China sow from 68 pounds to 227 pounds in 84 days, at a feed cost of \$8.27—producing 150 pounds of live pork at a cost of 5 and two-tenths cents a pound, with hogs averaging 7 cents a pound. Madeline Flesch, aged sixteen, of Preble county, is the clothing club champion of the state, having made five dresses and four other garments, and mended 20 garments.

Cavalry Horses in Clever Stunt



A remarkable picture showing members of Troop E, Third cavalry, of historic Fort Myer, Va., staging a jump in which one of the cavalry horses takes a leap over another. This was one of the thrillers provided for the benefit show for the Army Relief society.

View of New England's Rum Row



New England, not to be outdone by New Jersey, also has a rum row off its coast. This photograph was taken on board one of the liquor-running vessels that were waiting outside the twelve-mile limit for customers.

ALL OVER THE WORLD

The average length of the human windpipe is four and one-half inches. Whales and porpoises alone among mammals are destitute of heart.

The Victoria Cross was awarded to 71 Canadians in the World war.

Manitoba lake, in Canada, is 120 miles in length and 25 miles wide.

Less than 15 per cent of the population of France earn more than \$500 a year.

More than 10,000 books were published in England last year.

The Mohammedan empire in India was founded in 970.

Prior to 1848 the United States had very little gold coin.

The skull of a mastodon found in Ohio weighed 300 pounds.

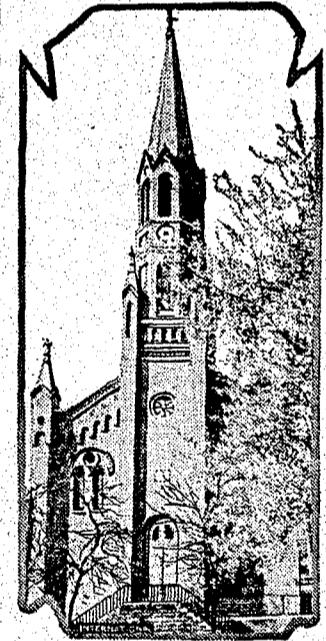
The first modern steel frame office building in Japan was constructed in 1920.

ADVOCATE OF FAGS



Glenning Wedman Day, president of the Student Government association at Pembroke hall, the women's section of Brown university, Providence, R. I., is gathering signatures to a petition asking the faculty to provide a smoking room for the girl students, as well as to grant them permission to put cigarettes on the campus.

OLD CHURCH CELEBRATES



This German Methodist church at Belleville, Ill., chartered in 1848, the oldest of its denomination in the United States, has just celebrated its diamond jubilee. One of the charter members, Conrad Kline, ninety-one, still lives.

FRANCE'S SMALLEST FEET



Above are pictured the smallest and most perfect feet in all France. Mme. Martineau, wife of the well-known Paris financier, is the possessor of the prize foot, which is hardly six inches long and is comfortably fitted with a size one and a half shoe.

Bare, He Was Thankful.
"I have just called in to say how much I appreciate your treatment, doctor."

"But I am not your doctor, young man!"

"No. But you were my old uncle's and I am his heir!"—Karlakturen (Christiania).

Must Be Ravenous.
She—"Why do you paint the inside of a chicken coop?" He—"To keep the hens from picking the grain out of the wood."—Answer.

DAIRY HINTS

Device to Prevent Cow From Sucking Herself

It is annoying to say the least when a cow contracts the habit of robbing her own dairy and how best to stop the vice is a problem. In some instances where a cow shows a marked shrink in milk and is not seen to suck herself we have found that the robbing was being done by a calf, or even a yearling, on pasture. The usual treatment in such a case is to put a spiked halter on the robber calf, says a writer in the *Successful Farming*. Such a contrivance is objectionable in that injuries to the udder may result. The better plan is to prevent the thieving calf from getting at the cow. In another instance campers on the lake at the far side of the farm were doing the robbing, so investigation is necessary in all such cases.

When a cow sucks herself there are various methods of prevention, each of which has its advocates. We have often had good results from simply putting an old horse collar upside down on the cow's neck. A "necklace" of pointed lath or small pickets as shown in the illustration proves effective. It is made as follows: Take six pieces of round, light wood about twelve inches long and one and one-half inches in diameter, or pieces of strong lath of similar length, and with small cord passed through holes bored



"Necklace" Prevents Cow From Sucking Herself.

in the round sticks, or tied around the laths, weave them to form an open fence-like necklace to be placed around the cow's neck and secured there by tying together the free ends of the cords. When the cow turns to suck herself, the sticks will prevent. Another good plan is to place a strong halter on the neck and a surcingle around the body just behind the elbows. Then put a snap-hook in one end of a piece of fork or broom handle and a ring in the other. Now snap the hook into the hanging ring of the halter, pass the stick between the forelegs and attach the ring in its end to the surcingle, or pass the rope or strap of the surcingle through the ring of the stick. This will stop sucking, but not prevent eating.

A simpler plan is to put a bull ring in the cow's nose and hang another ring from the first one. That usually works well. If not, then put common straight bridle bit in the mouth and hold it loosely in place by means of a halter. One man suggests greasing the teats with lard and then sprinkling freely with red pepper. That discourages the cow from sucking herself or being sucked by a calf. A somewhat cruel preventive measure is to put some hog rings in the cow's lips and the latest suggestion, which we do not care to recommend, is to put the rings in the tip of the cow's tongue.

The old-fashioned plan of splitting the cow's tongue for a distance of one and one-half to two inches from its tip has of recent years been improved upon by trained veterinarians who perform the operation according to modern methods of surgery and in such a way as to prevent undue suffering and insure against infection.

Superior Formula Given to Treat Garget in Cow

Garget often causes considerable loss in the herd. When an animal is found to be suffering from this trouble she should be milked after the remainder of the herd, as the disease may be carried on the hands. After milking, the hands should be washed with a good disinfectant. Milk from the diseased quarters should not be milked on the floor, but into a pail and disposed of. Cows suffering from it may be treated with the following mixture, recommended by the Purdue university dairy department:

Mix eight ounces of vaseline, eight ounces of wool fat, two fluid ounces belladonna, two fluid ounces extract poke root; warm and mix. Massage udder thoroughly. Feed one tablespoonful of powdered poke root and one tablespoonful of saltpeter three feeds, stop three feeds and continue again if necessary. Diseased cows should be isolated from the rest of the herd.

Cause of Slimy Milk.
Slimy orropy milk is caused by germs that get into the milk after it has been drawn from the cow. It is especially prevalent where cows have access to low, wet pasture, also where cows have access to muddy water.

Sugar Beets for Milk.
Sugar beets are somewhat more valuable for milk production than are mangolds. That is, a hundred pounds of sugar beets contain more digestible nutrients than do 100 pounds of mangolds.

Expensive Cow Ration.
A ration for dairy cows limited to middlings and ground oats would not only be expensive but it would be ill suited for milk production.

Hard Combination to Beat.
Cheap grain, good cows and a high price for butterfat form a combination which is hard to beat.

Exercise for Young Calf.
The young calf will need exercise. You can exercise and teach it to lead at the same time.

OUR COMIC SECTION

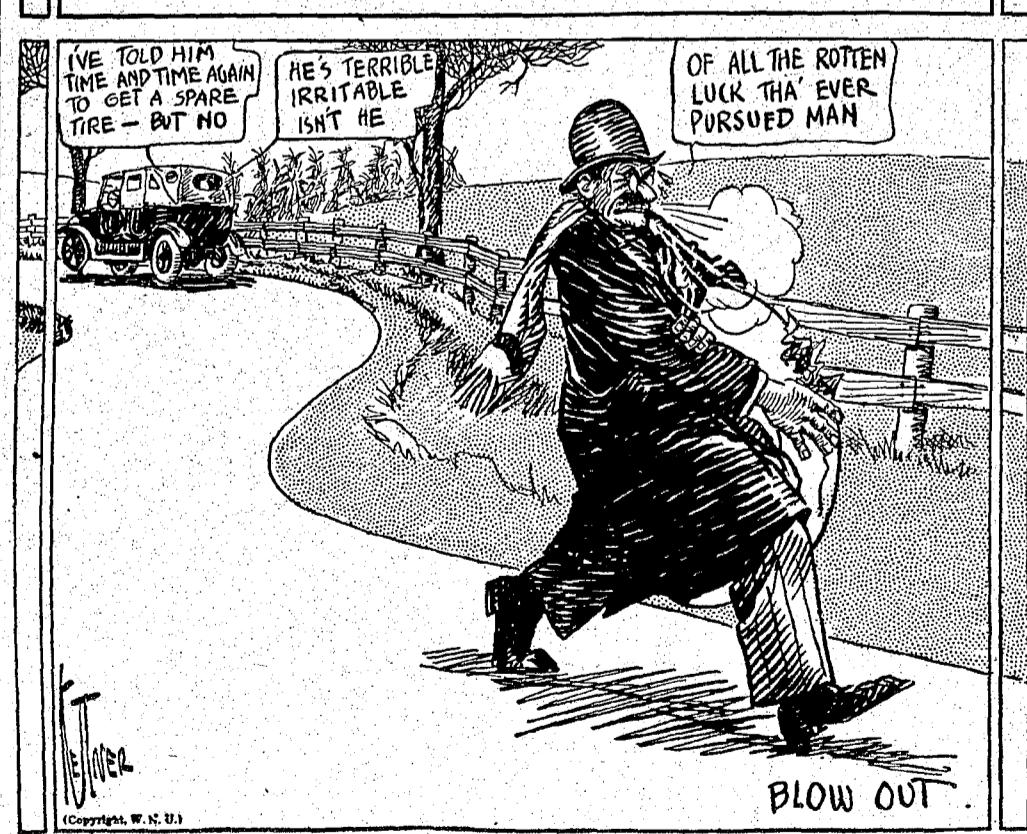
With a Tin Cup and Red Cap



How Did Felix Know



Along the Concrete



Too Fast for the Milk

Sam had passed through a harrowing experience. He had seen a ghost.

While his audience listened with bulging eyes, he related the details of his adventure:

"Ah Jes' come out of de cowshed," he said, "an' Ah had a bucket o' milk in mah hand. Den Ah hears a noise by de side of de road an' de ghost rushes out!"

"Good heavens!" interrupted one of

his listeners. "Did yo' shake with fright, Sam?"

"Ah don't know what Ah shook wid. Ah haln't sayin' for suttin' Ah shook at all. But when Ah got home Ah found all de milk gone an' two pounds o' butter in de bucket."—Life.

Regarded Salt as Sacred.

The Romans regarded salt as a sacred article of food, hence no other dish was allowed to be placed upon the dish before the salt was in position.

Fat men convince good cooks that they have not lived in vain.

The White Weasel. The ermine, or white weasel, is the smallest of the fur-bearers found in North America. The finest ermine fur comes from Russia and Siberia. In winter the animal is snow white except for a black tip on the end of the tail. In summer it turns brown, and the brown fur is, for this reason, known on the market as "summer ermine."

